

REMARKS

I. Defective Reissue Declaration

Paragraphs 2 and 3 of the final Office Action indicated that the argumentation in the amendment filed in January 6, 2006 did not overcome the rejection based on a defective reissue oath/declaration. The "errors" statement was not sufficient to establish a valid reason for the reissue under 35 U.S.C. 251.

Applicants have prepared a supplemental reissue oath/declaration under 37 C.F.R. 1.175 (b) (1) to overcome this objection.

The supplemental reissue oath states that every error which was corrected in the present reissue application, and which is not covered by the prior oath and/or declaration submitted in this application, arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the applicant, as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.175.

Furthermore the supplemental oath also states that:

"Applicant believes the original patent to be partly inoperative or invalid by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than patentee had a right to claim in the patent because of the omission of the claims 9 to 11 that claim preferred embodiments of the agent disclosed in applicants' specification. The addition of these claims does not broaden the scope of the original patent."

The foregoing statement was in accordance with M.P.E.P. 1414.01.

Accompanied by supplemental declaration